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# IDENTITY PRIVACY AND PRESERVING DATA IN MULTI-ATTORNEY MANNER USING CLOUD

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**ABSTRACT:** Cloud computing provides an economical and efficient solution for sharing data among the cloud users in the group , users sharing data in a multi-attorney manner preserving data and identity privacy from an untrusted cloud, it is still a challenging issue, due to frequent change of the membership in the group. In this paper, we propose a multi-attorney data sharing scheme for the dynamic groups in the cloud. By combining group signature and dynamic broadcast encryption techniques, any cloud user anonymously share the data with others. In addition, we analyze the security of our scheme with rigorous proofs, and demonstrate the efficiency of our scheme in experiments.

**Index terms**-cloud computing, data sharing, privacy-preserving, access control, and dynamic groups.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

Cloud computing is recognized as an alternative to traditional information technology [1] due to its intrinsic resource-sharing and low-maintenance characteristics. In cloud computing, the cloud service providers (CSPs), such as Amazon, are able to deliver various services to cloud users with the help of powerful datacenters. By migrating the local data management systems into cloud servers, users can enjoy high-quality services and save significant investments on their local infrastructures. One of the most fundamental services offered by cloud providers is data storage. Let us consider a practical data application. A company allows its staffs in the same group or department to store and share files in the cloud. By utilizing the cloud, the staffs can be completely released from the troublesome local data storage and maintenance. However, it also poses a significant risk to the confidentiality of those stored files. Specifically, the cloud servers managed by cloud providers are not fully trusted by users while the data files stored in the cloud may be sensitive and confidential, such as business plans. To preserve data privacy, a basic solution is to encrypt data files, and then upload the encrypted data into the cloud [2]. Unfortunately, designing an efficient and secure data sharing scheme for groups in the cloud is not an easy task due to the following

Challenging issues:

First, identity privacy is one of the most significant obstacles for the wide deployment of cloud computing. Without the guarantee of identity privacy, users may be unwilling to join in cloud computing systems because their real identities

could be easily disclosed to cloud providers and attackers. On the Other hand, unconditional identity privacy may incur the abuse of privacy. For example, a misbehaved staff can deceive others in the company by sharing false files without being traceable. Therefore, traceability, which enables the group

manager (e.g., a company manager) to reveal the real identity of a user, is also highly desirable.

Second, it is highly recommended that any member in a group should be able to fully enjoy the data storing and sharing services provided by the cloud, which is defined as the multi-attorney manner. Compared with the single-attorney manner [3], where only the group manager can store and modify data in the cloud, the multiple-attorney manner is more flexible in practical applications. More concretely, each user in the group is able to not only read data, but also modify his/ her part of data in the entire data file shared by the company.

Last but not least, groups are normally dynamic in practice, e.g., new staff participation and current employee revocation in a company. The changes of membership make secure data sharing extremely difficult. On one hand, the anonymous system challenges new granted users to learn the content of data files stored before their participation, because it is impossible for new granted users to contact with anonymous data owners, and obtain the corresponding decryption keys. On the other hand, an efficient membership revocation mechanism without updating these secret keys of the remaining users is also desired to minimize the complexity of key management. Several security schemes for data sharing on untrusted servers have been proposed [4], [5], [6]. In these approaches, data owners store the encrypted data files in untrusted storage and distribute the corresponding decryption keys only to authorized users. Thus, unauthorized users as well as storage servers cannot learn the content of the data files because they have no knowledge of the decryption keys. However, the complexities of user participation and revocation in these schemes are linearly increasing with the number of data owners and the number of revoked users, respectively. By setting a group with a single attribute, Lu et al. [7] proposed a secure provenance scheme based on the cipher text-policy attribute-based encryption technique [8], which allows any member in a group to share data with others. However, the issue of user revocation



is not addressed in their scheme. Yu et al. [3] presented a scalable and fine-grained data access control scheme in cloud computing based on the key policy attribute-based encryption (KP-ABE) technique [9]. Unfortunately, the single-attorney manner hinders the adoption of their scheme into the case, where any user is granted to store and share data. Our contributions. To solve the challenges presented above, we propose Mona, a secure multi-attorney data sharing scheme for dynamic groups in the cloud. The main contributions of this paper include:

1. We propose a secure multi-attorney data sharing scheme. It implies that any user in the group can securely share data with others by the untrusted cloud.
2. Our proposed scheme is able to support dynamic groups efficiently. Specifically, new granted users can directly decrypt data files uploaded before their participation without contacting with data owners. User revocation can be easily achieved through a novel revocation list without updating the secret keys of the remaining users. The size and computation overhead of encryption are constant and independent with the number of revoked users.
3. We provide secure and privacy-preserving access control to users, which guarantees any member in a group to anonymously utilize the cloud resource. Moreover, the real identities of data owners can be revealed by the group manager when disputes occur.
4. We provide rigorous security analysis, and perform

Extensive simulations to demonstrate the efficiency of our scheme in terms of storage and computation overhead

The remainder of this paper is organized as follows: Section 2 overviews the related work. In Section 3, some preliminaries and cryptographic primitives are reviewed. In

Section 4, we describe the system model and our design goals. In Section 5, the proposed scheme is presented in detail, followed by the security analysis and the performance analysis in Sections 6 and 7. Finally, we conclude the paper in Section 8.

## 2. LITERATURE SURVEY

In [4], Kallahalla et al. proposed a cryptographic storage system that enables secure file sharing on untrusted servers, named Plutus. By dividing files into file groups and encrypting each file group with a unique file-block key, the data owner can share the file groups with others through delivering the corresponding lockbox key, where the lockbox key is used to encrypt the file-block keys. However, it brings about a heavy key distribution overhead for large-scale file sharing. Additionally, the file-block key needs to be updated and distributed again for a user revocation. Undesired effort, restoration of blur image is very important in many of the cases [3].

In [5], files stored on the untrusted server include two parts: file metadata and file data. The file metadata implies the access control information including a series of encrypted key blocks, each of which is encrypted under the public key of authorized users. Thus, the size of the file metadata is proportional to the number of authorized users. The user revocation in the scheme is an intractable issue especially for large-scale sharing, since the file metadata needs to be updated. In their extension version, the NNL construction [10] is used for efficient key revocation. However, when a new user joins the group, the private key of each user in an NNL system needs to be recomputed, which may limit the application for dynamic groups. Another concern is that the computation overhead of encryption linearly increases with the sharing scale.

Ateniese et al. [6] leveraged proxy reencryptions to secure distributed storage. Specifically, the data owner encrypts blocks of content with unique and symmetric content keys, which are further encrypted under a master public key. For access control, the server uses proxy cryptography to directly reencrypt the appropriate content key(s) from the master public key to a granted user's public key. Unfortunately, a collusion attack between the untrusted server and any revoked malicious user can be launched, which enables them to learn the decryption keys of all the encrypted blocks.

In [3], Yu et al. presented a scalable and fine-grained data access control scheme in cloud computing based on the KPABE technique. The data owner uses a random key to encrypt a file, where the random key is further encrypted with a set of attributes using KP-ABE. Then, the group manager assigns an access structure and the corresponding secret key to authorized users, such that a user can only decrypt a ciphertext if and only if the data file attributes satisfy the access structure. To achieve user revocation, the manager delegates tasks of data file reencryption and user secret key update to cloud servers. However, the single-attorney manner may hinder the implementation of applications with the scenario, where any member in a group should be allowed to store and share data files with others.

Lu et al. [7] proposed a secure provenance scheme, which is built upon group signatures and ciphertext-policy attribute-based encryption techniques. Particularly, the system in their scheme is set with a single attribute. Each user obtains two keys after the registration: a group signature key and an attribute key. Thus, any user is able to encrypt a data file using attribute-based encryption and others in the group can decrypt the encrypted data using their attribute keys. Meanwhile, the user signs encrypted data with her group signature key for privacy preserving and traceability. However, user revocation is not supported in their scheme.

From the above analysis, we can observe that how to securely share data files in a multiple-owner manner for dynamic groups while preserving identity privacy from an untrusted

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cloud remains to be a challenging issue. In this paper, we propose a novel Mona protocol for secure data sharing in cloud computing. Compared with the existing works, Mona offers unique features as follows:

1. Any user in the group can store and share data files with others by the cloud.
2. The encryption complexity and size of ciphertexts are independent with the number of revoked users in the system.
3. User revocation can be achieved without updating the private keys of the remaining users.
4. A new user can directly decrypt the files stored in the cloud before his participation.

### 3. PRELIMINARIES

#### 3.1 Bilinear Maps

Let  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  be an additive cyclic group and a multiplicative cyclic group of the same prime order  $q$ , respectively [11]. Let  $e : G_1 \times G_1 \rightarrow G_2$  denote a bilinear map constructed with the following properties:

1. Bilinear: for all  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_q^*$  and  $P, Q \in G_1$ ,  $e(aP, bQ) = e(P, Q)^{ab}$
2. Nondegenerate: There exists a point  $P$  such that  $e(P, P) \neq 1$ .
3. Computable: There is an efficient algorithm to compute  $e(P, Q)$  for any  $P, Q \in G_1$ .

#### 3.2 Complexity Assumptions

**Definition 1 (q-strong Diffie-Hellman (q-SDH) Assumption [12]).** Given  $(P_1, P_2, \gamma P_2, \gamma^2 P_2, \dots, \gamma^q P_2)$ , it is infeasible to compute  $1/\gamma + x$

**Definition 2 (Decision linear (DL) Assumption [12]).** Given  $P_1, P_2, P_3, aP_1, bP_2, cP_3$ , it is infeasible to decide whether  $a+b=c \pmod q$ .

**Definition 3 (Weak Bilinear Diffie-Hellman Exponent (WBDHE) Assumption [13]).** For unknown  $a \in \mathbb{Z}_q^*$ , given

$Y, aY, a^2Y, \dots, a^{l-1}Y, P \in G_1$ , it is infeasible to compute  $e(Y, P)^{1/a}$

**Definition 4 ((t,n)-general Diffie-Hellman Exponent**

**(GDHE) Assumption [14]).** Let  $f(X) = \prod_{i=1}^t (X + x_i)$  and  $g(X) = \prod_{i=1}^n (X + x_i)$  be two random univariate polynomials. For unknown  $k, \gamma \in \mathbb{Z}_q^*$ , given  $G_0, \gamma G_0, \dots, \gamma^{t-1} G_0, \gamma f(\gamma), G_0, P_0, kg(\gamma)H_0 \in G_1$  and  $e(G_0, H_0)^{f_2(\gamma)g(\gamma)} \in G_2$ . It is infeasible to compute  $e(G_0, H_0)^{f_2(\gamma)g(\gamma)}$ .

#### 3.3 Group Signature

The concept of group signatures was first introduced in [15]

by Chaum and van Heyst. In general, a group signature scheme allows any member of the group to sign messages while keeping the identity secret from verifiers. Besides,

the designated group manager can reveal the identity of the signature's originator when a dispute occurs, which is denoted as traceability. In this paper, a variant of the short group signature scheme [12] will be used to achieve anonymous access control, as it supports efficient membership revocation.

#### 3.4 Dynamic Broadcast Encryption

Broadcast encryption [16] enables a broadcaster to transmit encrypted data to a set of users so that only a privileged subset of users can decrypt the data. Besides the above characteristics, dynamic broadcast encryption also allows the group manager to dynamically include new members while preserving previously computed information, i.e., user decryption keys need not be recomputed, the morphology and size of ciphertexts are unchanged and the group encryption key requires no modification. The first formal definition and construction of dynamic broadcast encryption are introduced based on the bilinear pairing technique in [14], which will be used as the basis for file sharing in dynamic groups.

#### 4. EXISTING SYSTEM

In the literature study we have many methods for secure data sharing in cloud computing, however most methods failed to achieve the efficient as well as secure method for data sharing for groups. To provide the best solutions for the problems imposed by existing methods, recently the new method was MONA[1]. This approach presents the design of secure data sharing scheme, Mona for dynamic groups in an untrusted cloud. In Mona, a user is able to share data with the others in the group without revealing identity privacy to the cloud. Additional Mona supports efficient user revocation and new user joining. More especially, efficient user revocation can be achieved through a public revocation list without updating the private keys of the remaining users and new users can directly decrypt files stored in the cloud before their participation

#### Disadvantage

1. However as per reliability and scalability concern this method needs to be worked out further as if the group manager stop working due to large number of requests coming from different groups of owners, then entire security system fail down.

2. Secure environments protect their resources against unauthorized access by enforcing access control mechanism when increasing is an issue of text based password are not counter for such problems, using instant messaging service is available in the Internet user will obtain one time password (OTP)



server will not maliciously delete or modify user data due

to the protection of data auditing schemes [17], [18], but will try to learn the content of the stored data and the identities of cloud users.

## 2. GROUP MANAGER

Group manager takes following charges

1. System parameters generation
2. User registration
3. Traceability
4. User revocation

In the given example, the group manager is acted by the administrator of the company. Therefore, we assume that the group manager is fully trusted by the other parties.

## 3. Group member

Group members are asset of registered users that will store their private data into the cloud server and share them with others in the group, note that group membership is dynamically changed. Group members can upload the file and download the file within the group.

## 4. FILE SECURITY

1. Encrypting the data file
2. File stored in the cloud can be deleted by either group manager or the owner of the file

## 5. GROUP SIGNATURE

A group signature scheme allows any member of the group to sign messages while keeping the identity secret from verifiers. Besides, the designated group manager can reveal the identity of the signature's originator when a dispute occurs, which is denoted as traceability.

## 6. USER REVOCATION

User revocation is performed by the group manager via public available revocation list based on which group members can encrypt their data files and confidentiality against the revoked users.

## 5.2 DESIGN GOALS

**Reliability:** it can be achieved by using a backup group manager.

**Higher level security:** it can be achieved by using instant messaging service is available in the Internet user will obtain one time password (OTP)

**Access control:** The requirement of access control is twofold. First, group members are able to use the cloud

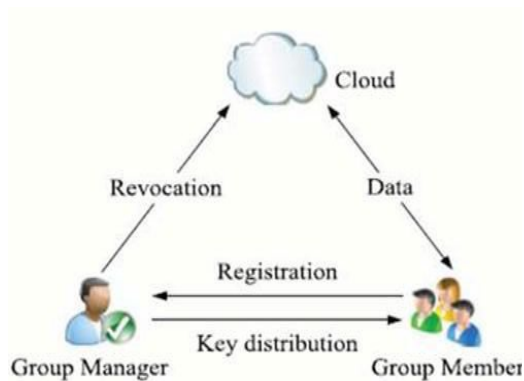


FIGURE1 EXISTING SYSTEM MODEL

## 5 SYSTEM MODEL AND DESIGN GOALS

### 5.1 System Model

To achieve the reliable, scalable and higher level security in MONA, in this method we are further processing how we are managing the risks like failure of group manager by increasing the number of backup group manager, hanging of group manager in the case number of requests more by sharing the workload in multiple group managers. This method claims required efficiency, scalability and most importantly reliability and providing higher level security

### Backup Group Manager

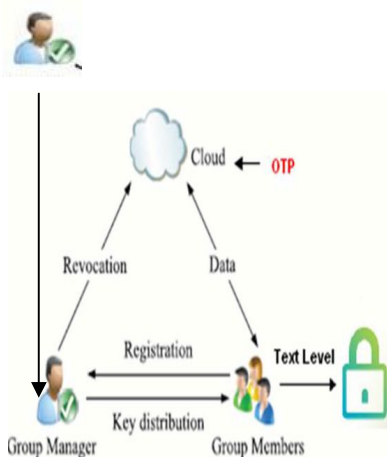


FIGURE2 PROPOSED SYSTEM MODEL

### MODEL DESCRIPTION

1. Cloud is operated by CSPs and provides priced abundant storage services. However, the cloud is not fully trusted by users since the CSPs are very likely to be outside of the cloud users' trusted domain. Similar to [3], [7], we assume that the cloud server is honest but curious. That is, the cloud



resource for data operations. Second, unauthorized users cannot access the cloud resource at any time, and revoked users will be incapable of using the cloud again once they are revoked.

**Data confidentiality:** Data confidentiality requires that unauthorized users including the cloud are incapable of learning the content of the stored data. An important and challenging issue for data confidentiality is to maintain its availability for dynamic groups. Specifically, new users should decrypt the data stored in the cloud before their participation, and revoked users are unable to decrypt the data moved into the cloud after the revocation.

**Anonymity and traceability:** Anonymity guarantees that group members can access the cloud without revealing the real identity. Although anonymity represents an effective protection for user identity, it also poses a potential inside attack risk to the system. For example, an inside attacker may store and share a mendacious information to derive substantial benefit. Thus, to tackle the inside attack, the group manager should have the ability to reveal the real identities of data owners.

**Efficiency:** The efficiency is defined as follows: Any group member can store and share data files with others in the group by the cloud. User revocation can be achieved without involving the remaining users. That is, the remaining users do not need to update their private keys or reencryption operations. New granted users can learn all the content data files stored before his participation without contacting with the data owner.

## 6. PROPOSED SCHEMA

### 6.1 Overview

To achieve secure data sharing for dynamic groups in the cloud, we expect to combine the group signature and dynamic broadcast encryption techniques. Specially, the group signature scheme enables users to anonymously use

the cloud resources, and the dynamic broadcast encryption

technique allows data owners to securely share their data

files with others including new joining users. Unfortunately, each user has to compute revocation parameters to protect the confidentiality from the revoked users in the dynamic broadcast encryption scheme, which results in that both the computation overhead of the encryption and the size of the ciphertext increase with the number of revoked users. Thus, the heavy overhead and large ciphertext size may hinder the adoption of the broadcast encryption scheme to capacity-limited users. To tackle this challenging issue, we let the group manager compute the revocation parameters and make the result public available by migrating them into the cloud. Such a design can significantly reduce the computation overhead of users to encrypt files and the ciphertext size. Specially, the computation overhead of users

for encryption operations and the ciphertext size is constant and independent of the revocation users.

### 6.2 SCHEME DESCRIPTION

This section describes the details of Mona including system

initializations, user registration, user revocation, file generation, file deletion, file access and traceability.

#### 6.2.1 System Initialization

The group manager takes charge of system initialization

as follows: Generating a bilinear map group system  $S=(q,G_1,G_2,e(.,.))$ , the system parameters include  $(S,P,H,H_0,H_1,H_2,U,V,W,Y,Z,f,f_1,Enc())$ , where  $f$  is a one way hash function:  $\{0,1\}^* \rightarrow Z^*_q$ ;  $f_1$  is hash function:  $\{0,1\}^* \rightarrow G_1$ ; and  $Enc()$  is a secure symmetric encryption algorithm with the secret key  $k$ .

#### 6.2.2 User registration

For the registration of user  $I$  with identity  $ID_i$ , the group manager randomly selects a number  $x_i$  belong to  $Z^*_q$  and computes  $A_i, B_i$  as the following equation:

$$\begin{cases} A_i = \frac{1}{\gamma + x_i} \cdot P \in G_1 \\ B_i = \frac{x_i}{\gamma + x_i} \cdot G \in G_1. \end{cases}$$

Then, the group manager adds  $(A_i, x_i, ID_i)$  into the group user list, which will be used in the traceability phase.

After the registration, user  $i$  obtains a private key  $(x_i, A_i, B_i)$  which will be used for group signature generation and file decryption

#### 6.2.3 Revocation list

User revocation is performed by the group manager via a public available revocation list (RL), based on which group

members can encrypt their data files and ensure the confidentiality against the revoked users.

Table 1 revocation list

IDgroup	D1	y1	t1	P1
	D2	y2	t2	P2
	Dr	yr	tr	Pr Wr tRL sig(RL)

the revocation list is characterized by a series of time stamps  $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_r$ . In the proposed system once the user time stamp over does not wait for the group manager to update the time stamp or revocation list here once the time over the user immediately send request for extra time for access the data to the cloud. Then the cloud will send that request to the group manager once the see it and give permission then the cloud will time to access the data but if the group manager did not give permission then the cloud will not give permission for access if the data

#### 6.2.4 File generation

To store and share a data file in the cloud, a group member performs the following operations: Getting the revocation list from the cloud . In this step, the member sends the group identity  $ID_{group}$  as a request to the cloud. Then, the cloud responds the revocation list  $RL$  to the member. Verifying the validity of the received revocation list. First, checking whether the marked date is fresh. Second, verifying the contained signature  $sig(RL)$  by the equation  $e(W, f_1(RL)) = e(P, sig(RL))$ . If the revocation list is invalid, the data owner stops this scheme. Encrypting the data file  $M$ . Selecting a random number  $T$  and computing  $fT$ . The hash value will be used for data file deletion operation. In addition, the data owner adds  $(ID_{data}, T)$  into his local storage. Constructing the uploaded data file as shown in Table 2, where  $t_{data}$  denotes the current time on the member, and a group signature on  $(ID_{data}, C_1, C_2, C, f(T); t_{data})$  computed by the data owner through private key  $(A, x)$ .

Table 2: Message Format

Group ID	Data ID	ciphertext	hash	Time	Signature
$ID_{group}$	$ID_{data}$	$C_1, C_2, C$	$f(\tau)$	$t_{data}$	$\sigma$

Uploading the data shown in Table 2 into the cloud server and adding the  $ID_{data}$  into the local shared data list maintained by the manager. On receiving the data, the cloud first check its validity. If the algorithm returns true, the group signature is valid; otherwise, the cloud abandons the data. In addition, if several users have been revoked by the group manager, the cloud also performs revocation verification. Finally,

the data file will be stored in the cloud after successful group signature and revocation verifications.

#### 6.2.5 File deletion

The file stored in the cloud can be deleted by either the group manager or the data owner .To delete a file  $ID_{data}$  , the group manager computes a signature and sends the signature along with  $ID_{data}$  to the cloud.

### 7 PERFORMANCE EVALUTAIION

#### 7.1 Storage

Without loss of generality, we set  $q=160$  and the elements

in  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  to be 161 and 1,024 bit, respectively. In addition, we assume the size of the data identity is 16 bits, which yield a group capacity of 216 data files. Similarly, the size of user and group identity are also set as 16 bits.

**Group manager.** In Mona, the master private key of the

group manager is  $(G, \gamma, \epsilon_1, \epsilon_2) \in G_1 \times Z_3^q$ . Additionally,

the user list and the shared data list should be stored at the

group manager. Considering an actual system with 200 users and assuming that each user share 50 files in average, the total storage of the group manager is  $(80.125 + 42.125 * 200 + 2 * 10,000) * 10^{-3} \approx 28.5$  kbytes, which is very acceptable.

**Group members.** Essentially, each user in our scheme only

needs to store its private key  $(A_i, B_i, x_i)$  is about 60 bytes. It is worth noting that there is a tradeoff between the storage and the computation overhead. For example, the four pairing operations including  $(e(H, W), e(H, P), e(P, P), e(A_i, P))$   $G_2^4$  can be precomputed once and stored for the group signature generation and verification. Therefore, the total storage of each users is about 572 bytes.

**The extra storage overhead in the cloud.** In Mona, the format

of files stored in the cloud is shown in Table 2. Since  $C_3$  is the ciphertext of the file under the symmetrical encryption, the extra storage overhead to store the file is about 248 bytes, which includes  $(ID_{group}, ID_{data}, C_1, C_2, C_3, f(\tau), t_{data}, \sigma)$ .

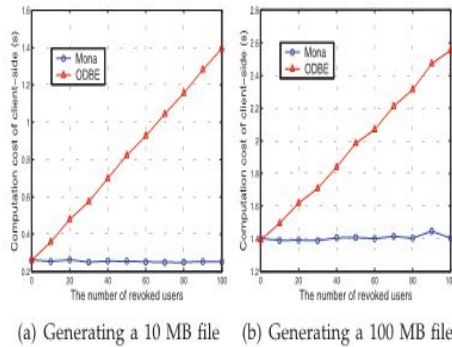


Figure 3 comparison on computation cost for file generation between Mona and ODBE [14]

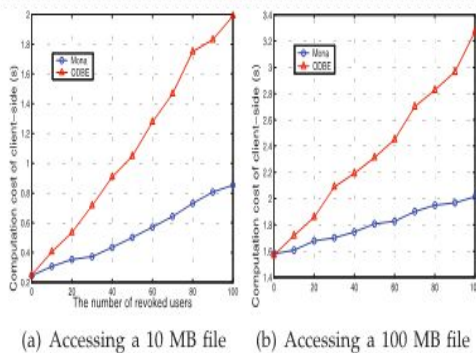


Figure 4 comparison on computation cost for the file access between Mona and ODBE [14]

## 7.2 Simulation

The simulation consists of three components: client side, manager side as well as cloud side. Both client side and manager side process are conducted on laptop with core 2T7250 2.0Ghz processor, DDR2 800 2G, ubuntu 10.04X86. The cloud side process is implemented on machine that equipped with core 2 i3-2350 2.3 GHz, DDR3 1066 2G, Ubuntu 12.04X64. In the simulation, we choose an elliptic curve with 160 bit group order, which provides a competitive security level with 1024bit RSA.

### 7.2.1 Client Computation Cost

In Fig. 3, we list the comparison on computation cost of clients for data generation operations between Mona and the way that directly using the original dynamic broadcast encryption (ODBE) [14]. It is easily observed that the computation cost in Mona is irrelevant to the number of revoked users. On the contrary, the computation cost increases with the number of revoked users in ODBE. The reason is that the parameters  $(P, Z_r)$  can be obtained from the revocation list without sacrificing the security in Mona, while several time-consuming operations including point multiplications in G1 and

exponentiations in G2 have to be performed by clients to compute the parameters in ODBE.

From Figs. 3a and 3b, we can find out that sharing a 10 Mbyte file and a 100-Mbyte one, cost a client about 0.2 and 1.4 seconds in our scheme, respectively, this implies that the symmetrical encryption operation dominates the computation cost when the file is large.

The computation cost of clients for file access operation with the size of 10 and 100 Mbytes are illustrated in Fig. 4.

The computation cost in Mona increases with the number of revoked users, as clients require to perform Algorithms 3 and 4 to compute the parameter  $Ar_r$  and check whether the data owner is a revoked user. Besides the above operations,  $P_1$ ,  $P_2$ ,  $Pr$  needs to be computed by clients in ODBE. Therefore, Mona is still superior to ODBE in terms of computation cost. Similar to the data generation operation, the total computation cost is mainly determined by the symmetrical decryption operation if the accessed file is large, which can be verified from Figs. 4a and 4b. In addition, the file deletion for clients is about 0.075 seconds, because it only costs a group signature on a message  $(ID_{data}, \tau)$  where  $\tau$  is a 160-bit number in  $Z_q^*$ .

### 7.2.2 Cloud Computation Cost

To evaluate the performance of the cloud in Mona, we test its computation cost to respond various client operation requests including file generation, file access, and file deletion. Assuming the sizes of requested files are 100 and 10 MB, the test results are given in Table 3. It can be seen that the computation cost of the cloud is deemed acceptable, even when the number of revoked users is large. This is because the cloud only involves group signature and revocation verifications to ensure the validity of the request for all operations. In addition, it is worth noting that the computation cost is independent with the size of the requested file for access and deletion operations, since the size of signed message is constant.

Table 3 computation cost of the cloud (s)

Request	The number of revoked users		
	0	50	100
File generation (100 MB)	0.065	0.154	0.271
File generation (10 MB)	0.045	0.125	0.226
File access (100 MB)	0.045	0.150	0.237
File access (10 MB)	0.045	0.151	0.240
File deletion (100 MB)	0.041	0.153	0.240
File deletion (10 MB)	0.042	0.156	0.238

## 8 CONCLUSION

In this paper we design a secure data sharing scheme for dynamic groups, also achieve an scalability more importantly reliability and providing higher level security using one time password (OTP). Additionally, this technique supports efficient user revocation and new user joining. More specially, efficient

user revocation can be achieved through a public revocation list without updating the private keys of the remaining users, and new users can directly decrypt files stored in the cloud before their participation. Moreover, the storage overhead and the encryption computation cost are constant. Extensive analyses show that our proposed scheme satisfies the desired security requirements and guarantees efficiency as well.

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